

City of Somerville, Massachusetts
Matters of business of the Board of Aldermen
in hands of the Clerk by 2PM the day of the meeting

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

April 24, 2003, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

OPENING OF THE MEETING

1. Call of the Roll.
2. Reading and approval of the minutes of the meetings of January 6, 9, 18, and 23, 2003, February 13 and 27, 2003, and March 13 and 27, 2003.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. Petition Comcast for a grant of location to install 61 feet of 4 inch PVC conduit from utility pole #P358/65 on Washington St. to 384 Washington St. in a common trench with Verizon.
4. Petition NStar Electric for a grant of location to install 39 feet of 4 inch PVC conduit from Columbia St. westerly, 290 feet south of Beach Ave., to 481 Columbia St.

ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS
AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

5. Citation By Ald. Connolly and the Entire Board, Commending OHCD Senior Draftsman Fred Lund on the happy occasion of his 50th year of dedicated service to the City.
6. Citation By Ald. Provost and the Entire Board, Expressing gratitude and best wishes to OHCD Project Manager Christi Wrigley for her dedication and professionalism in three years of service to the City.
7. Citation By Ald. Heuston, Commending Arthur G. Costa for over 60 years of service to the Portuguese American Civic League and its Holy Ghost Committee.
8. Resolution By Ald. Provost and the Entire Board, That this Board of Aldermen hereby requests that the MDC inform this Board of its current schedule for improvements to Foss Park.

9. Order By Ald. Provost and the Entire Board, That the School Dept. and any other Department having pertinent information inform this Board whether or not the Edgerly School contains asbestos and lead paint.
10. Order By Ald. Provost, Taylor and Connolly, That the Personnel Director forward to this Board recommendations for amending ordinances pertaining to salaries for department heads, so as to allow for "stepped" salary ranges, based on such factors as experience, education, and other credentials. (3rd request.)
11. Order By Ald. Provost and Connolly, That the City Auditor and other appropriate city officials prepare for the Finance Committee a complete set of documents regarding expenditures on design work for the Lincoln Park School, including, but not limited to, all invoices for such work, and such plans as have been prepared to date.
12. Order By Ald. Provost, Heuston and Connolly, That the Highway Division take whatever steps are necessary to ensure that Line and Cooney Sts. are swept clean, and that no motor vehicles be allowed to obstruct their next street cleaning.
13. Order By Ald. Provost, Taylor and Connolly, That the Somerville Ave. Fire Station property be cleaned, particularly along the Lowell St. side.
14. Order By Ald. Provost, Taylor, Connolly and O'Donovan, That the Highway Dept. and/or Traffic and Parking Dept. begin, as soon as the weather allows, to re-paint the city's crosswalks, including, but not limited to, the locations described within.
15. Order By Ald. Taylor, That the Chief of Police and the Director of Traffic and Parking enforce the restriction prohibiting parking within 20 feet of the intersection of Cleveland and Central Sts.
16. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Director of Traffic and Parking determine if the STOP sign is in the appropriate location at the corner of Central and Vernon Sts., and make the necessary correction if it is found that the sign should be moved in order for motorists to clearly see it.
17. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Highway Superintendent evaluate the sidewalk at 122 Central St. to determine if repair is needed because of uprooting from the tree.

18. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Chief of Police place a crossing guard at Josephine Ave. and Broadway beginning September, 2003.
19. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works analyze Gilson Terrace for sinking.
20. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the acting Traffic and Parking Director contact the Ward 5 Alderman with a convenient date and time to meet at her office with the neighbors of Lowell Terrace and the Ward 5 Alderman to discuss parking issues.
21. Order By Ald. O'Donovan and Connolly, That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint all crosswalks in Ball Square.
22. Order By Ald. O'Donovan and Connolly, That the Director of Traffic and Parking place "Stop for Pedestrian" cones on Cedar St. and Willow Ave. at the bike path.
23. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree branches back from the property at 74-76 Endicott Ave.
24. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Commissioner of Public Works immediately replace with new concrete the sidewalk in front of 35 Victoria St. as it is an extreme safety hazard.
25. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Chief of Police take notice of illegal dumping in the area of Dilboy Pool and notify the State Police of this activity.
26. Resolution By Ald. Trane, That this Board of Aldermen hereby expresses its gratitude to Lt. Paul Upton and the traffic patrol officers under his command for the quick response to the area of Clarendon Hill Towers for the enforcement of pedestrian safety violations.
27. Order By Ald. Trane and Desmond, That the Director of Traffic and Parking immediately repair the pedestrian traffic signal at Clarendon Hill on Broadway.
28. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Chief of Police enforce permit parking along Merriam St. and take necessary actions against commercial and out of state vehicles.
29. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Commissioner of Public Works ascertain the need for a sewer at 236 Somerville Ave. to address the problem of flooding and water collecting during rainfall.

30. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of Public Health and the Director of Inspectional Services inspect the property at 1 Linden St. for all violations related to overcrowding and improper storage of trash.
31. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of Public Health inspect dumpster overflow at 365 Somerville Ave.
32. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of Public Health inspect the rear yard of the business at 318 Somerville Ave. for all health code violations.
33. Ordinance By Ald. Heuston, Amending Zoning Ordinance 9.5.1, changing the residential requirements for number of parking spaces to include the square footage of units.
34. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of Public Health inspect the rear yard of the property at 21-23 Rossmore St. for all violations.
35. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works adjust the tree lights in the Davis Square area so as not to restrict tree growth.
36. Resolution By Ald. Connolly and the Entire Board, That this Board of Aldermen hereby proclaims April, 2003, to be Parliamentary Law Month, together with other like-minded communities across the nation, and accepts, in memory of Madeline Murray, a newly-revised edition of Roberts Rules of Order, which will be available to City officials and to the public at large at the West Branch Library.
37. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk at 128 Ten Hills Rd. at the base of the telephone pole.
38. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Commissioner of Public Works and Director of Public Health check the side entrance of the Winter Hill Market on Wheatland St., where kids have been hanging out, and ask the owners to install lights and a gate to keep people out.
39. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole around the sewer at the corner of Edgar Ave. and Meacham St.
40. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Commissioner of Public Works inspect 79-81 Bailey Rd. for an illegal apartment.

41. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Commissioner of Public Works inspect 11 Marshall St. and have the landlord remove the discarded washer and refrigerator.
42. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Commissioner of Public Works check 11 Marshall St. for exposed electrical wires on the front of the house.
43. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the DO NOT ENTER sign at the corner of Marshall and Pearl Sts.
44. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole at 68 Ten Hills Rd.
45. Order By Ald. Desmond and Roche, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole within the crosswalk on George St. at Broadway.
46. Order By Ald. Desmond and Roche, That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the litter and debris within the planting beds along the Broadway islands from McGrath Hwy. toward Sullivan Sq.
47. Order By Ald. Desmond and Roche, That the Commissioner of Public Works notify the property owner regarding removal of the graffiti on the property at the corner of Pinckney and Perkins Sts.
48. Order By Ald. Desmond and McCallum, That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the ONE-WAY sign missing at the corner of Sycamore and Medford Sts.
49. Order By Ald. Desmond and McCallum, That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing NO PARKING sign along the Medford St. entrance to the Winter Hill School on the corner of Sycamore St.
50. Order By Ald. Desmond and McCallum, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes in the area of 9 Temple St. near the driveway of Brooks Pharmacy.
51. Order By Ald. Desmond and O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes at 49-51 Hudson St.
52. Order By Ald. Desmond and Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works investigate the large sinkhole on the roadway in the area of 15 Sartwell Ave. and Ashland St. behind the Kennedy School.

- 53. Order By Ald. Desmond and Connolly, That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the bent sign pole and replace the missing sign on Ashland St. at Summer St.

- 54. Order By Ald. Curtatone and Taylor, That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the graffiti from the building formerly used as the Union Square Bistro and its surrounding structures on Bow St.

- 55. Order By Ald. Curtatone and Taylor, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk at the corner of 4 Aldersey St. and Walnut St.

- 56. Order By Ald. Curtatone and O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the debris and materials located on and around the railroad tracks intersecting Cedar St.

- 57. Order By Ald. Curtatone, That the Chief of Police submit to this Board of Aldermen the previously requested revised Table of Organization with a specific breakdown outlining which specific personnel are conducting certain duties.

- 58. Order By Ald. Curtatone and Taylor, That the Chief of Police enforce the "No Skateboarding" restrictions in front of the High School Fieldhouse entrance.

- 59. Order By Ald. Curtatone and Taylor, That the Police Dept.'s Traffic Division place a speed board in the vicinity of Walnut St. and Summit Ave.

- 60. Order By Ald. Curtatone and Taylor, That the Chief of Police order directed patrols of the Prospect Hill Park and Tower during late night hours.

- 61. Order By Ald. Curtatone and Taylor, That the Chief of Police enforce the hours of operation of all public parks and playgrounds.

- 62. Resolution By Ald. Curtatone and Taylor, That the Administration review the policy of unauthorized and non-permitted use of public parks and playing fields.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

- 63. Requesting approval of a Home Rule Petition to level fund debt service relative to the renovations of the Homans Building.

64. Requesting approval of the expenditure of an \$8,000 FEMA grant from the United Way of Mass. Bay.
65. Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice in the Youth Dept. of \$217.90.
66. Communicating the establishment of a Municipal Real Estate Advisory Committee.
67. Requesting confirmation to appoint Janira Barcellos of 62 Dartmouth St. to the Conservation Commission.
68. Requesting confirmation to appoint Mary Anaform of 7 Pinkney Place to the Council on Aging.
69. Requesting confirmation to appoint Diane Shepard of 2 Alpine St to the Council on Aging.
70. Requesting confirmation to appoint Nanette Glenney of the Cambridge Health Alliance's Senior Health Connection to the Council on Aging.
71. Requesting confirmation to re-appoint Connie Ramsdell of 768 Broadway to the Council on Aging.
72. Requesting confirmation to re-appoint Jennifer Cronin of 63 Sycamore St to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.
73. Requesting confirmation to re-appoint Cassandra Koutalidis of 9 Sanborn Ave. to the Conservation Commission.
74. Requesting confirmation to re-appoint Delia Kaye of 97 Ten Hills Road to the Conservation Commission.
75. Requesting confirmation to re-appoint John Reinhardt of 25 Cherry St. to the Conservation Commission.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

76. Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, April 15.
77. Report of the Committee on Finance of the Whole, April 15.
78. Report of the Committee on Finance of the Whole, April 22.

79. Report of the Joint Committee on Finance and Legislative Matters, April 22.
80. Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, April 22.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS

81. City Solicitor responding to #173576 re: Underground wires.
82. City Solicitor responding to #173642 re: Unlicensed taxi drivers.
83. City Solicitor responding to #173475 re: Impact Fees for the Sewer System and Municipal Parking.
84. Asst. City Solicitor responding to #173575 re: Trash receptacles for fast food vendors.
85. OHCD Director conveying information about the TIF Program.

NEW BUSINESS

86. Public Occ. **Public Property Occupancy Permit**
Somerville Charter School Canning Drive, Citywide, May 10 from 7AM-3PM.
87. Public Occ. Dee Zuccaro Road Race, starting in Teele Sq., May 18 from 12 Noon, 11AM Kids Race.
88. Public Occ. Somerville City Run, starting at High School Concourse, April 27 from 10AM.
89. Public Occ. Jason Ford Memorial Softball Tournament, 12 Sanborn Ave., May 25.
90. Public Occ. Redbones Barbeque Block Party Fundraiser, Chester St. from Elm St. to Herbert St., May 12 from 4-10PM.
91. Awning **New Awning over a Public Way**
Davis Sq. Donuts Inc., d/b/a Dunkin Donuts/Baskin Robbins, 244 Elm St.
92. Awning J's Spa and Nail, 251 Highland Ave.
93. Transient Vendor **Renewal of Transient Vendor**
Paul Walker, Wellington Flowers and Produce, 646 Somerville Ave., 212 Broadway, and 216 McGrath Hwy.

94. Garage Lic. **Renewal of Garage License**
Best Refinish Auto Body, 8 Conlon Ct., 8 Autos.
95. Garage Lic. Streetwise Inc., 57-59 Pitman St., 20 Autos.
96. Garage Lic. Union Square Auto Inc., 13A Joy St., 6 Autos.
97. Garage Lic. Circuit City Stores, Inc., 65 Mystic Ave., 3 Autos.
98. Garage Lic. Allen Realty Trust, 112-114 Albion St., 20 Autos.
99. Garage Lic. Gemicar Inc. d/b/a Tech Auto Body Repair, Inc., 9 Union Square, 10 Autos.
100. Garage Lic. Broadway Henry LLC., 28-30 Broadway, 10 Autos.
101. Garage Lic. Don Hector Auto Repair, 627 Somerville Ave., 5 Autos.
102. Garage Lic. Karen Molloy, 197 Highland Ave., 3 Autos.
103. Flamm. Lic. **Renewal of Flammable License**
148 Sycamore St. LLC, D/B/A B.F. Realty, 54 Highland Ave., 2,000 Gallons.
104. Flamm. Lic. 20 Grove St. LLC, D/B/A B.F. Realty, 20 Grove St., 5,000 Gallons.
105. Flamm. Lic. 21 Franklin St. LLC, D/B/A B.F. Realty, 21 Franklin St., 2,000 Gallons.
106. Flamm. Lic. 13-19 Highland Ave. LLC, D/B/A BF Realty, 13-19 Highland Ave., 2,000 Gallons.
107. Flamm. Lic. Somerville Home Inc., 117 Summer St., 2,500 Gallons.
108. Flamm. Lic. Prospect Iron & Steel Corp., 40 Bennett St., 1,050 Gallons.
109. Flamm. Lic. Elm Corp., 369-371 Beacon St., 23,250 Gallons.
110. Flamm. Lic. Patra LLC, 73 Summer St., 21,500 Gallons.
111. Flamm. Lic. Broadway Petroleum Inc., 1284-1286 Broadway, 23,500 Gallons.
112. Flamm. Lic. Somerset LLC, 156 Summer St., 1,320 Gallons.

113. Flamm. Lic. Arnold Z. Mason d/b/a Hillcrest Apartment, 121-123 Highland Ave., 5,000 Gallons.
114. Flamm. Lic. Sunoco Service Station, 541 Broadway, 20,145 Gallons.
115. Flamm. Lic. Sunoco Service Station, 434-450 McGrath Hwy., 33,380 Gallons.
116. Flamm. Lic. Sunoco Service Station, 254-258 Broadway, 27,045 Gallons.
117. Flamm. Lic. Sunoco Service Station, 395 Alewife Brook Pkwy, 32,995 Gallons.
118. Flamm. Lic. M.S. Walker, Inc. Harvey Allen, 20R Third Ave., 90,000 Gallons.
119. Flamm. Lic. Parkway Gibbs Inc., 166 Boston Ave., 18,150 Gallons.
120. Flamm. Lic. Aris Auto Inc., 3 Craigie St., 30,394 Gallons.
121. Flamm. Lic. Broadway Henry LLC., 38 Broadway, 6,256 Gallons.
122. Flamm. Lic. MBTA, 20 Third Ave., 43,000 Gallons.
123. Flamm. Lic. Cumberland Farms Inc., 701-709 Somerville Ave., 25,000 Gallons.
124. Flamm. Lic. Cumberland Farms Inc., 208-212 Broadway, 32,800 Gallons.
125. Flamm. Lic. Colonel Bingham Trust, 301-303 Lowell St., 4,000 Gallons.
126. Flamm. Lic. Concord Knapp Trust, 45 Concord Ave., 2,500 Gallons.
127. Flamm. Lic. Beacon Four Trust, 278 Beacon St., 2,000 Gallons.
128. Garage/Flam
Lic. **Renewal of Garage and Flammable License**
Broadway Brake Corporation, 25-45 Broadway, 30 Autos
8,600 Gallons.
129. Garage/Flam
Lic. Beacon Sales Company, 50 Webster Ave., 8 Autos, 6,630 Gallons.
130. Garage/Flam
Lic. Gordon Fuel Corp./Ashton /Fuel, 53 Mystic Ave., 18 Autos, 15,000 Gallons.

131. Garage/Flam Lic. Pete's Boy's Inc., 80 Morrison Ave., 50 Autos & 10 Autos, 9,800 Gallons.
132. Garage/Flam Lic. Frank & Ed's Service Station, 483 Somerville Ave., 20 Autos, 17,420 Gallons.
133. Garage/Flam Lic. Green Automotive Inc., 85 Foley St., 5 Autos, 27,000 Gallons.
134. Garage/Flam Lic. Souza Bros Foreign Cars Service Inc., 35-37 Prospect St., 10 Autos, 12,388 Gallons.
135. Taxi Med. **Renewal of Taxi Medallion**
Ronald A. Patalano Inc., 38 Partridge Ave., Med. #83.
136. Taxi Med. Gaeta Trans Co. Inc., 38 Partridge Ave., Med. #84.
137. Taxi Med. Ormond Trans Inc., PO Box 1676, Westford, Med. #49.
138. Taxi Med. Ormond Trans Inc., PO Box 1676, Westford, Med. #50.
139. Taxi Med. Ormond Trans Inc., PO Box 1676, Westford, Med. #62.
140. Taxi Med. Ormond Trans Inc., PO Box 1676, Westford, Med. #89.
141. Taxi Med. Somerville Trans Inc., PO Box 1676, Westford, Med. #71.
142. Taxi Med. Eastern Trans Inc., PO Box 1676, Westford, Med. #73.
143. Taxi Med. Eastern Trans Inc., PO Box 1676, Westford, Med. #87.
144. Taxi Med. Eastern Trans Inc., PO Box 1676, Westford, Med. #90.
145. Taxi Med. Silcor Trans Inc., PO Box 1676, Westford, Med. #51.
146. Taxi Med. Silcor Trans Inc., PO Box 1676, Westford, Med. #52.
147. Taxi Med. Silcor Trans Inc., PO Box 1676, Westford, Med. #77.
148. Taxi Med. Silcor Trans Inc., PO Box 1676, Westford, Med. #93.
149. Taxi Med. Alewife Trans Inc., PO Box 1676, Westford, Med. #65.
150. Taxi Med. Alewife Trans Inc., PO Box 1676, Westford, Med. #69.
151. Taxi Med. Alewife Trans Inc., PO Box 1676, Westford, Med. #80.

152. Taxi Med. 32 Summer St. Corp., 32 Summer St., Med. #29.
153. Billiards **Renewal of Billiard & Pool and Bowling Alleys**
Davis Square Bowladrome, 45 Day St., 1 billiard table, 7 pool tables, and 15 bowling alleys.
154. Billiards R.H. Corp d/b/a Hannah's, 409-509 Broadway, 4 pool tables.
155. Outdoor park **Renewal of Outdoor Parking**
Green Cab, 85 Foley St., 85 vehicles.
156. Outdoor park D.M. Auto Body, 48 Joy St., 52 vehicles.
157. Outdoor park D.M. Auto Body, 40 Joy St., 52 vehicles.
158. Outdoor Seat **Renewal of Outdoor Seating**
Tamario Inc. dba Dali Restaurant, 415 Washington St., to place 2 benches outside for patrons waiting.
159. Outdoor Seat The Kebab Factory, 414 Washington St., for 3 tables and 9 chairs.
160. Outdoor Seat Knapp Video, 116 Beacon St., to put a video night drop box located at the corner of building on sidewalk.
161. Outdoor Seat Dom's Motor Service Inc., 2 Union Sq., to place 2 or 3 motorcycles on sidewalk.
162. Outdoor Seat Picante Mexican Grill Inc., 217 Elm St. for 2 tables and 4 chairs.
163. Outdoor Seat India Palace, 23 Union Sq. for 8 tables and 16 chairs.
164. Extended Hrs **Renewal of Extended Hours**
McDonalds, 14 McGrath Hwy.
165. Bond **Drain Layers Bond**
Dowling Corporation.
166. Drain Layer **Renewal of Drain Layers License**
Donohoe Excavating Inc.
167. Claim Notice **Notice of Claim**
Rosemary A. Gauvreau.
168. Claim Notice Anthony D. Previte.
169. Claim Notice JoAnne Rose Foley.

170. Claim Notice Theresa A. Gillen.

171. Claim Notice Susan C. Walsh.

172. Comm. **Communication**
MBTA Deputy Chief John Mahoney responding to
#173633 re: public safety issues at MBTA station facilities.

ITEMS RECEIVED AFTER 2:00 PM